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**ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL
ANALYSIS CONFERENCE**

2004

“TOWARD INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT”

**APRIL 13-15 2004
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

This year's conference is the first for the newly instituted Planning Community of Practice. The theme is “Toward Integrated Water Resources Management.” The conference will provide a forum to discuss current economic, environmental, and plan formulation issues and ideas, with special emphasis on planning's contributions to executing the Corps primary Civil Works missions: navigation, flood damage reduction, and ecosystem restoration.

A preliminary agenda has been prepared with plenary sessions, as well as concurrent sessions to accommodate specialized presentations and discussions. The program comprises an exciting variety of topics presented by water resource experts within the Corps and from many other organizations.

The conference's success is dependent upon the active participation of Division and District staff representing the “full team.” MG Carl Strock has extended his invitation to biologists, ecologists, and other environmental scientists; economists; engineers; planners; project managers. Make *your* plans to attend today!

HOTEL REGISTRATION – BY MARCH 15TH

The conference will be held at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel, 202 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD. A block of rooms has been reserved for conference participants.

Reservations can be made via the Internet using the instructions [here](#).

To register, enter your arrival and departure dates, and click government rate. You must also register with the following code to assure that our room quota is met: ACEACEA.

The Government rate for this conference is \$139.00, which meets the per diem limit.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION – SOONER IS BETTER


Conference registration is [on-line](#). The \$75 registration fee helps defray conference costs.

DRAFT AGENDA

The draft conference agenda has been posted on the the main conference [web site](#). In addition to the registration and hotel information above, the site includes General Strock's letter announcing the conference, visitor information for Baltimore, and a link to documentation of the 2002 E & E Conference held in New Orleans. Watch this site for latest version of the draft agenda.

Instructions for Contributors to Planning Ahead

This newsletter is designed to improve the communication among all the planners and those we work with throughout the Corps. We hope that future editions will have mostly information and perspective from those of you on the front lines in the districts. We hope that these notes become a forum for you to share your experiences to help all of us learn from each other. We can't afford to reinvent the wheel in each office. We welcome your thoughts, questions, success stories, and bitter lessons so that we can share them on these pages. The articles should be short (2-3 paragraphs) except in some cases where you just have to say more.

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- Use "normal" style
- Use Times New Roman font, 11 point
- All text should be left justified with start of each paragraph indented by one tab stop.
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- Last line should be contact information – phone number or e-mail address 

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Submissions Deadline

The deadline for material for the regular March issue is March 26, 2004

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